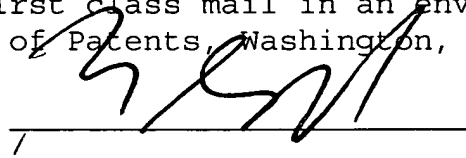


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Preliminary Statements

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Section 2
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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the issuance of the first official action.

The art was cited in the specification of the present application on page 6.

Section 4
Statements with Respect to Listing of Information

A list of the patent(s) and/or publications is set forth on the attached 1 page of Form PTO-1449 (modified).

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No English language translations of the foreign language patents, publications or information or parts thereof are readily available.

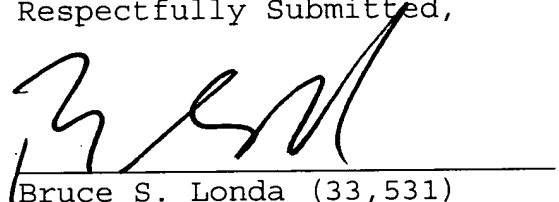
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Concise Explanation of Listed Information Items

The German patent number 4244082 is discussed on page 6 of the specification of the present application.

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